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Cristie True
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Dear Ms True,

As I explained in my phone call to you (2/13/90) I think the acid dip tank solution concentration limits for Cr, Cu and Ni Section 7-1 Special Conditions/compliance schedule are too low. I have enclosed a copy of the annual test results which show levels twice the limit. ~~Our self monitoring record for 1989 would indicate that we were able to control the levels of heavy metals with this kind of concentrated drag out.~~ My request to you is to allow us to continue with this over limits condition in our metal cleaning line and sample the Cr, Cu and Ni levels monthly. We will continue to meet the discharge limits of our permits. I believe we will show that the Section 7-1 limits play a less important roll in our meeting discharge limits than were previously thought.

Complying with our permit discharge limits will be more orderly now that we have relocated the process control system indoors and out of the effects of the rain and freezing weather. When our painters have completed the pipe color coding, I will have you down for a show and tell.

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Until further notice please direct all communication to me at the usual address. Mr Rapheal Acholonu is no longer with us and I have not replaced him permanently yet.

Sincerely

James Brown
Operations Manager

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